

Enclosed also please find an un-marked version of the substitute specification containing all of the additions and deletions made herein.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A packaging assembly for food products to be cooked or heated in microwave ovens, which comprises:

an inner wrapper which contains the food product;

an outer package of plastic material which encloses said inner wrapper;

at least one layer of a heat-concentrating material; and

a substrate attached to an outer face of said outer package;

wherein said at least one layer of heat-concentrating material causes the opening of the outer package by melting a portion [thereof] of the outer package, during heating of the assembly in a microwave oven.

2. (Amended) A packaging assembly as claimed in Claim 1, further comprising a sheet of a heat-insulating material, attached to an inner part of the outer package [on the inner part thereof].

3. (Amended) A packaging assembly as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the substrate is made up of a continuous web of flexible material, common to a plurality of said products each [with its] including said outer package and [its] said inner wrapper.

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(Amended) A packaging assembly as claimed in [any of] Claim 1, wherein the

inner wrapper [presents] comprises at least one area [with] having two sheets of material, and
A2 wherein the layer of heat-concentrating material [being] is inserted between said two sheets of
material.

12. (Amended) A packaging assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein the outer

A3 package presents at least one weld-line of a predetermined strength, [which] wherein said at least
one weld-line facilitates the opening of the outer package during heating.

Please add the following new claims.

13. (New) A packaging assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one layer

of heat-concentrating material further comprises:

at least one strip of heat-concentrating material.

A4 14. (New) A packaging assembly as claimed in claim 1, wherein said at least one strip

of heat-concentrating material is applied on said outer package.

Enclosed please find an un-marked version of the claims as amended including all of the
amendments made to claims 1, 2, 3, 6 and 12 above and the addition of new claims 13 and 14.

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to include section headings at appropriate locations,